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SUBJECT: FOURTH U.S.-EGYPT JOINT WORKING GROUP ON MEDICAL
COOPERATION MEETING
REF: CAIRO 09505

FOR: SCIATT

PASS: DR. SHUTT, USAID CPT. W.F. MINER, NAMRU
DR. IBRAHIM BADRAN, MOH
DR. RAMSIS GOMMA, MOH

1. THE FOLLOWING TOPICS HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED FOR
DISCUSSION DURING THE NEXT U.S.-EGYPT JOINT WORKING GROUP
MEETING AND ARE BEING SENT TO YOU FOR YOUR APPROVAL,
COMMENTS AND ADDITIONS. MAJOR ISSUES CAN BE DISCUSSED
DURING PLENARY SESSIONS WITH DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF
MINOR TOPICS TAKING PLACE DURING INDIVIDUAL SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETINGS.

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1. DISCUSSION OF SCOPE OF U.S.-EGYPT JOINT WORKING GROUP
ACTIVITIES.
2. SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS - IN LIEU OF QUARTERLY REPORTS..
3. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FOR JOINT WORKING GROUP

ACTIVITIES.

4. COMMODITY IMPORT LOAN PROGRAM - (STATUS OF).

5. MOH PANEL REVIEW PROCEDURE FOR PROPOSALS

6. DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING.

7. EFFECT OF NEW LEGISLATION ON FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES
SELECTION AND TRAINING.

8. STATUS OF MEDICAL ACTIVITIES UNDER JOINT WORKING
GROUP ON TECHNOLOGY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND
RELATIONS TO JOINT WORKING GROUP ON MEDICAL COOPERATION
(E.G., NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION SUPPORTED ULTRA
SOUND DIAGNOSIS) AND BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING PROJECTS.

9. NUMERICAL PROJECTIONS OF EGYPTIAN TRAINING NEEDS
FOR NEXT TWELVE (12MONTHS (OCT.-SEPT.).

I. STRENGTHENING HEALTH SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

A. REVIEW OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

B. END STAGE RENAL DISEASE - WHAT ARE MOH PRIORITIES?

C. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR NEONATAL SPECIALISTS

D. FAMILY PLANNING POSITION PAPER - STATUS OF

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E. NEW PROPOSALS - OF INTEREST TO NCHS

1. A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF HEALTH CONDITIONS AND
PROBLEMS OF THE ELDERLY IN RURAL AND URBAN
COMMUNITIES

2. A HEALTH MORBIDITY SURVEY

3. ENVIRONMENTAL EPIDEMIOLOGY

4. STATISTICAL METHODOLOGY

5. MEDICAL CARE STATISTICS

II. HEALTH MANPOWER AND MEDICAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

A. REVIEW OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

B. MEDICAL EDUCATION TEAM RECOMMENDATIONS

1. LONG-TERM PROGRAMS

(A) CURRICULUM REVISION

(B) INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR CLINICAL
TRAINING

(C) IMPROVED SYSTEMS OF STUDENT EVALUATION

(D) ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTER FOR CONTINUING
MEDICAL EDUCATION AND LEARNING
RESOURCES IN CAIRO

2. SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS

(A) FACULTY EXCHANGE PROGRAM
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(B) SURPLUS TEXTBOOKS

(C) U.S.-EGYPT STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS IN
TROPICAL MEDICINE AT NAMRC

C. NEW PROPOSAL

EVALUATION OF SECONDARY TECHNICAL NURSE TRAINING
PROGRAM

D. AGREEMENTS ON TRAINING - SELECTION ARRANGEMENTS,
FUTURE PROJECTION

III. PHARMACEUTICALS, BIOLOGICS, AND MEDICAL PRODUCTS
SUBCOMMITTEE

A. REVIEW OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

ITEMS B-E WERE TAKEN FROM A PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR
SUBCOMMITTEE III, SUBMITTED BY DR. RAMSIS GOMAA
DATED MARCH 28, 1977.

B. CONSULTATIONS - SHORT VISITS TO U.S. AND FDA
REGARDING:

1. REGISTRATION OF NEW DRUGS

2. SCIENTIFIC PLANNING AND EVALUATION OF
PROGRAMS

3. PHARMACEUTICAL TESTING AND CONTROL OF DRUGS

4. PHARMACOLOGY

C. TRAINING COURSES

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1. IN CAIRO

(A) ADVANCED CHROMATOGRAPHY

(B) MAGNETIC RESONANCE

(C) ADVANCED COLORIMETRIC ANALYSIS

2. IN U.S.

(A) QUALITY CONTROL OF ANTIBIOTICS

(B) BIOAVAILABILITY TESTING

(C) STABILITY OF PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS

(D) STUDY OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF DOSAGE
FORMS

(E) INSPECTION OF PHARMACEUTICAL FIRMS

D. FINANCIAL AID

1. SUPPORT FOR FORTY (40) NEW LABORATORIES

2. LABORATORY EQUIPMENT VALUED AT \$500.00

E. SUPPORT TO ESTABLISH A CENTRAL LABORATORY FOR
REFERENCE STANDARDS

1. REQUIREMENTS

2. CONTROL OF BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS AND VACCINES
AT EGYPTIAN ORGANIZATION FOR BIOLOGICAL
PRODUCTS, AGOUZA
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IV. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

A. REVIEW OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

B. PLANS FOR EXPANDING ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COOPERATION

C. TRAINING COURSE ON DETECTION OF CHEMICAL MUTAGENS IN THE ENVIRONMENT IN EGYPT

D. CLINICAL AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDY OF OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE TO PESTICIDES IN EGYPT - DR. MASSOUD'S PROPOSAL

E. VISIT OF U.S. DELEGATION TO EGYPT (NOVEMBER 4, 1977 - AGENDA)

V. BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE

A. REVIEW OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES

B. A CURRENT STATEMENT OF MINISTRY OF HEALTH INTERESTS AND PRIORITIES IN THE FOLLOWING DISEASES

1. SCHISTOSOMIASIS

2. LIVER DISEASE, INCLUDING A CHARACTERIZATION OF EGYPTIAN HEPATITIS BY EGYPTIAN REPRESENTATIVES AND AN ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL FOR HEPATITIS STUDIES, ESPECIALLY DISTRIBUTION OF TYPES

3. AMEBIASIS

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4. RABIES

5. DIARRHEAL DISEASES

6. CANCER, COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM FOR TREATMENT OF BLADDER CARCINOMA

C. STATUS OF PENDING PROJECTS

D. ROLE OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO RESEARCH APPROVALS

2. THE PLENARY SESSIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT THE

- SOUTH PORTAL BUILDING, 7TH FLOOR CONFERENCE
ROOM, DHEW, WASHINGTON, DC.

3. HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR STATLER HILTON
AT 16TH AND K STREETS, WASHINGTON, DC.

4. PLEASE INFORM OF NAMES OF EGYPTIAN PARTICIPANTS
AND ETA.

5. U.S. SIDE CONCURS WITH SUGGESTION FOR MEETING PRIOR
TO JOINT WORKING GROUP MEETING. WILL SCHEDULE LATER.
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